Mr. K. Mohamed Seethi.—Have the Government passed final orders in this matter?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The complaints were recorded.

Works done in 1108 for which tenders were not called for.

142. **Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—Will the Government be pleased to state the items of works done in 1108 for which no tenders were called for by the P. W. D. with the amount spent and the names of the contracts in each case?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—A list is appended. (*Appendix VIII*)

Opening of road at Cheruvalli Kadavu in Anjur village.

143. **Mr. K. T. Mathew.**—Will the Government be pleased to inform whether anything has been done for opening a road at Cheruvalli Kadavu in Anjur village which had been included in the list of work considered by the Road Board?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—The work could not be provided for in the current year's budget for want of funds. It will be included in the budget for next year if funds permit.

Communal representation in services.

144. **Mr. K. T. Mathew.**—Will the Government be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have accepted the principle of giving increasing representation in service to communities which are not adequately represented in Government service without sacrificing efficiency; and if so,

(b) how long Government have been following this principle;

(c) whether the permanent Diwan has read questions numbers 233 and 411 answered on 4th and 11th August respectively;

(d) how many were appointed in Government service in the last three years; and of whom

(e) how many are (i) caste-Hindus (ii) non-caste Hindus (iii) Christians (iv) Muslims and (v) Jews;

(f) whether it is the policy of Government to reserve the posts of Heads of Departments to any particular community or communities; and if not,

(g) what steps have been taken since the inauguration of the 1st Legislative Council to give adequate representation to

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